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For: PERIODIC PATTERNS AND)	
TECHNIQUE TO CONTROL)	
MISALIGNMENT BETWEEN TWO)	
LAYERS)	

RESPONSE

Attn: Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 27, 2005, having a period for response set to expire January 27, 2006. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 is being concurrently submitted, requesting a waiver from the one month response requirement stated in the December 27, 2005 Office Action and that the Applicants be permitted to provide the requested information along with a petition and fees for a five-month extension of time. A further Petition for a Five Month Extension of Time is being submitted herewith, thereby requesting an extension for the period for response to June 27, 2006. This paper is also in response to the Office Action mailed June 8, 2006 in the present application, having a period for response set to expire July 8, 2007. The following remarks are respectfully submitted, and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Office Action Mailed December 27, 2005

The Applicants respectfully respond to the request for information regarding the then-pending claims 55 - 62 and 78 - 204, with the following comments. Pending claims 55 - 62 were copied into the present application on October 30, 2003 as substantial copies of selected